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The Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations, with reference to the Secretary-General's note of 16 December 1991 has the honour to communicate the measures taken by the Netherlands authorities to implement Security Council resolutions 713 (1991) and 724 (1991).

In compliance with the decision of the member States of the European Community of 5 July 1991, the Netherlands authorities have refused any licences for the export of armaments or military equipment (including spare parts, repairs and the transfer of military technology) to Yugoslavia after 5 July 1991. Current licences were revoked. To formalize this retroactively, the Government promulgated, in accordance with the Netherlands Import and Export Act of 1962, Decree No. WJA/JZ 91074423.

The Netherlands even before 5 July 1991 was already exercising particular restraint in assessing requests for export licences for arms to Yugoslavia, in view of the developments in that country. Such export licences had therefore been denied for a considerable time prior to 5 July 1991.